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Ambassador Dobrynin/The Secretary

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D: I just came back from the meeting with Sonnenfeldt. He told us the bad news. -- 300 kilometers and 25 level. Also 21 days.

K: I can only tell you.

D: You really meant this answer. We were thinking about 250 and now back to Vienna.

K: I have written a letter to every foreign minister personally. It was telling them that it is our proposition. I have had replies from the British, French and Germans, in fact, I will let you see my letter some time. I don't think you have to meet all three points in my judgment.

D: The question is whether we can meet the basic ones.

K: That is what I thought.

D: For the first time I am debating whether to telegram Brezhnev because he will be mad at you.

K: In this case he has no reason to be mad.

D: Now Sonnenfeldt has proposed that we come to Vienna, and look where we the proposal -- the same place it was originally.

K: If he did want to go to 21 and if he wanted to compromise with 275 and 20,000 as a last offer so that they could say they have exacted something from you, I think it would work.

D: Already we gave 50. It is worse than the previous one.

K: This is an issue on which we have no American interest.

D: If you would like it would be even better if I don't say anything. He really did believe in you -- all the other things you have done. But now coming back again -- I don't know what the reaction will be.

K: I don't know how Sonnenfeldt presented it.

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D: He presented it very well. He said that we failed and nothing else could be done unless we went to 250 and 21.

K: Let me call Hartman and call you back.

D: O.K.

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